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## Reminder: Deployment of Redesigned Texas Temporary Tags Security and data enhancements will further reduce fraudulent tag use

(AUSTIN, Texas – December 9, 2022) Texans will start seeing new temporary tags on the road beginning today. The Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) is introducing a new look for tags that are issued by licensed Texas motor vehicle dealers. This action further supports ongoing efforts that have made a significant impact in preventing the fraudulent production of, access to, and use of temporary tags.

The new tags are more complex and secure than existing tags and include additional data and security features to facilitate law enforcement identification of counterfeit tags and increase the safety of traffic stops.

(Note: Certain security elements of the temporary tag depicted below have been modified so they cannot be digitally replicated.)



## Features of the New Tag Design

Note: For security purposes, not all features are included or fully described in this list.

- Texas flag watermark.
- Enhanced depiction of tag expiration date, vehicle year and make, and name of issuing dealer.
- Identification of the specific type of tag issued.

- Font selection and size that maximize readability of primary components.
- Active and passive security features identifiable by law enforcement.
- Numerous pieces of embedded data and text, linked to law enforcement databases, that can be created only by internal TxDMV computer systems.

For more information about the new tags and prior actions that have been effective in reducing fraudulent temporary tag activity, visit <u>www.TxDMV.gov/temporarytags</u>.

**The Texas Department of Motor Vehicles** registers and titles motor vehicles, licenses motor vehicle dealers, credentials motor carriers, issues oversize/overweight permits, investigates complaints against dealers and motor carriers, and awards grants to law enforcement agencies to reduce vehicle burglaries and thefts. Learn more at <u>www.TxDMV.gov</u>. <u>Subscribe</u> to receive TxDMV news releases via email or text message.

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